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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total volume of traffic handled by various major ports till the end of March, 2005;

(b) the target set for handling traffic by different ports for 2004-05;

(c) whether some major ports and particularly Paradeep Port could not handle the traffic fixed for the year; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) and (b) The port-wise total volume of traffic handled by various major ports till the end of March, 2005 and target set for handling traffic by different Major Ports during 2004-05 are given below:

(In Million Tonnes)

Ports	Total annual traffic handled till the end of March, 2005	Annual target 2004-05
Kolkata	46.16	43.36
Paradeep	30.10	27.49
Visakhapatnam	50.15	49.56
Ennore	9.48	11.89
Chennai	43.81	39.18
Tuticorin	15.81	14.20
Cochin	14.10	14.06
New Mangalore	33.90	27.77
Mormugao	30.66	28.78
Mumbai	35.13	31.00
Jawaharlal Nehru	32.95	32.20
Kandla	41.54	42.31
Total	383.79	361.80

(c) and (d) All the major ports except Ennore and Kandla achieved the target set for the year during 2004-05. The main factor for shortfall in traffic against target in respect of Ennore Port was due to decline in thermal coal traffic on account of less nomination by Tamil Nadu Electricity Board (TNEB). Similarly, in respect of Kandla Port, it was due to decline in crude oil traffic resulting from lesser nomination of crude oil tankers by Indian Oil Corporation. Paradip Port has exceeded the target.